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Microsoft 1 billion dollars software give away. We still have problems with Microsoft selling practices. Why does Microsoft sell Office small business to Dell and Gateway for \$30 a unit and sell them for \$150 to us. DOJ has now play right in the hands of Microsoft by giving away 1 billion dollars in software which will not cost Microsoft more than the cost of putting the software on a CD. Microsoft for year has given away software for years to get market share and now DOJ play right into the hands of Microsoft. I have been working in this industry for 15 years and allot of small companies are gone due to Microsoft intregating software into it's own products. Companies like Wordperfect who had the word processing market, Lotus who had the spreadsheet market, etc. If this settlement goes through many educational resellers will go out of business. The only way this is going to work if Microsoft gives the money to the schools and the educational resellers are able to sell these product to the schools so that we will not be left out in the cold.

Thanks
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